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### **REP. ROSARIO JOINED LATINO POLICYMAKERS IN BOSTON FOR NALEO EMERGENCY PLANNING AND PREPAREDNESS INSTITUTE**

*Rosario and more than 50 other policymakers focused on strategies to ensure their communities are best prepared to respond to natural and man-made emergencies*

**Rep. Christopher Rosario (D-Bridgeport)** joined the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) Educational Fund, the nation's preeminent Latino leadership organization, and more than 50 other policymakers from across the country for a two-day institute in Boston, Massachusetts. The event provided local and state officials with professional development on how to proactively prepare their communities to confront and recover from natural or man-made emergencies during a time of increasing global and domestic threats.

During the NALEO Educational Fund's *National Policy Institute on Emergency Planning and Preparedness* that took place from August 19-20, 2016, Rosario had the opportunity to enhance his knowledge and understanding of the different levels of planning and preparedness needed to help the community prepare for, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from various types of disasters and emergencies.

"Upon returning from the conference Bridgeport had its largest mass shooting ever. Training like this helps us be better prepared when an unfortunate situation like this occurs," **Rep. Rosario** said. "I look forward to future policy events and to be able to apply the practices and procedures learned."

In addition to strengthening their governance skills and receiving timely information on emergency planning and preparedness, Rosario also had the opportunity to network with colleagues and leading experts from throughout the country.

The group of policymakers that participated will be invited to a second Policy Institute in 2017 that will focus on emergency management and response.

This event was made possible through the generous support of Title Sponsor, State Farm®. A full schedule and list of speakers is available on the NALEO Educational Fund website at [http://www.naleo.org/2016\\_emergency](http://www.naleo.org/2016_emergency).

Rep. Rosario represents the 128th Assembly District and serves on the Appropriations, Energy and Technology and Transportation Committees. He also serves on the Transportation, Human Services and Judicial and Corrections Appropriations Subcommittees.

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